PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q92027

Eiju SUZUKI, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/562,157

Group Art Unit: 1796

Confirmation No.: 6585

Examiner: Fred M. Teskin

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For:

BUTADIENE-BASED POLYMER AND METHOD OF PRODUCING THE SAME AS

WELL AS RUBBER COMPOSITION AND TIRE USING THE SAME

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of three months, extending the time for responding to the Office Action of October 1, 2008 to April 1, 2009.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge the statutory fee of \$1110.00 and all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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